

House Resolution No. 3691

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, fifty years ago Hal Roper took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Darlene Williams, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on June 12, 1955, at Sarcoxie, Missouri; and

Whereas, five decades later Hal and Darlene Roper of Joplin will observe their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends on Friday, June 10, 2005; and

Whereas, the marital union of Hal and Darlene Roper has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Cindy Rice, Tammy Brown, Terry Taylor, Misty Frost, and Randy Roper, and their twelve grandchildren; and

Whereas, the owner of Roper Automotive Group for thirty-five years, Hal Roper is a Trustee and Deacon at Forest Park Baptist Church where Darlene Roper serves as the Nursery/Preschool Coordinator; and

Whereas, Hal and Darlene Roper share interests in travel, gardening, and political and educational campaigns; and

Whereas, Hal and Darlene Roper will use the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes which have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such stellar citizens as Hal and Darlene Roper during momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Hal and Darlene Roper and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Hal and Darlene Roper of Joplin, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ronald F. Richard
District No. 129

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3691, adopted June 9, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker